



2022 Annual Policy Conference Agenda

(As of 2/8/22)

8:30 - 8:45: Welcome & Opening Remarks from Gerri Madrid-Davis, NIRS Board Chair and Director of DEI Programs, AARP

8:45 - 9:00: Opening Keynote Address from Dr. Kilolo Kijakazi, Acting Commissioner of the United States Social Security Administration

9:00 - 10:00: Tax Incentives Panel

- Moderator: Kimberly Adams, Correspondent, Marketplace
- Panelist: Tyler Bond, Research Manager, National Institute on Retirement Security
- Panelist: Caroline Bruckner, Managing Director, Kogod Tax Policy Center
- Panelist: David Mitchell, Director of Government and External Relations, Washington Center for Equitable Growth

10:00 - 10:15: Break

10:15 - 10:30: Keynote Address on the Priorities of the Labor Dept. from Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, Secretary's Representative for Pensions and Retirement

10:30 - 11:30: NIRS/CCA Contest Winners Panel

- Moderator: Ellen Kleinstuber, President, Conference of Consulting Actuaries

11:30 - 12:00: Keynote on the State of the Economy from Jim McDonald, Northern Trust

12:00 - 1:00: Lunch

1:00 - 1:50: A Conversation on the Current State of the Teaching Workforce

- Moderator: Josh Franzel, Managing Director, MissionSquare Research Institute
- Panelist: Cassandra Lichnock, Chief Executive Officer, CalSTRS
- Panelist: Dan Domenech, Executive Director, Superintendents Association
- Panelist: Mary Kusler, Senior Director, Center for Advocacy, NEA

1:50 - 2:20: Keynote from Darryl Mabini, HOOPP, on the Value of a Good Pension research

2:20 - 2:35: Remarks from State Rep. Avery Frix on Pensions in Oklahoma

2:35 - 3:20: Revisiting Pension Changes in Three States Panel

- Moderator: Dana Bilyeu, Executive Director, NASRA
- Panelist: State Representative Avery Frix, Oklahoma
- Panelist: Joe Fox, Executive Director, Oklahoma PERS
- Panelist: Ash Williams, former CIO of Florida State Board of Administration
- Panelist: Matt Moser, Government Relations Director, NEA-Alaska

3:20 - 3:30: Closing Remarks from Dan Doonan, NIRS